# OHIO STATE HAPPENINGS

DROP \$15,000,000 OF STOCK FIGHT LAKE SHORE R. R. DEAL

Directors of Hocking Valley Road Retire Preferred Issue at the Rate of \$101.33 a Share.

Columbus, O.-It was announced here that at a meeting of the board of directors of the Hocking Valley Railroad Co. it had been decided to retire at par and accrued interest the company's \$15,000,000 preferred stock, as of date April 30, 1910. It will be paid for in cash at the rate of \$101,33 a share. Under the conditions of its issue, the preferred stock was to share with the common stock equally in all dividends in excess of 4 per cent a year. Both stocks have been on this basis. The retirement of the preferred stock as ordered will be financed without difficulty as the Hocking Valley now has in its treasury \$10,000,000 as a result of its sale of holdings in the Toledo, Ohio Central and Kanawha & Michigan railways.

To succeed the late E W. Hickox of Cleveland, vice president of the Hocking Valley, J. H. Zerbe of Cleveland was elected to the board of directors. John Galvin of Cincinnati, former mayor, was elected to the directorate to succeed James Stuart Mackie of New York, resigned.

#### FIRE DESTROYS 22 COTTAGES

Blaze Starting in Resort Near Vermilion Wipes Out Many Summer Homes.

Vermilion, O .- Twenty-two of the 85 eottages at Linwood park, near Vermilion, were destroyed by fire. Some of the burned cottages were occupied by Oberlin college students, girls and boys, 100 of whom were spending their Easter vacation at the park.

The flames spread from one of the light wooden structures to another with great rapidity, and it appeared for a while that every building in the park was doomed. The girls joined the boys in forming bucket brigades and were making a brave fight against the flames when the Vermilion volunteer department arrived. An appeal was sent to the Lorain fire department for help, and fire fighting apparatus was sent from that city on Lake Shore electric cars. It was after 2 p. m. before the flames were got under control. The park was connected with the German Evangelical denomination, but the cottages were privately

#### SAY WORKERS PAY FOR JOBS

Police Prosecutor of Cleveland Says Foremen of Factories and Railroads Prey on Foreigners.

Cleveland, O .- A system of graft through which foremen of many factories and railroads in Cleveland enriched to the extent of thousands of premiums and assessments \$2,876,643. men has been uncovered by Police Prosecutor Dan Cull.

According to Cull the foremen have been working the graft for several years and have been carrying it on so quietly that the officers over them have remained in ignorance. Some laborers have been compelled to pay the foremen liberally before being given jobs, while another form of the graft that has netted large returns is the practice of holding lottery drawings into which the laborers have been coerced.

#### HURL HATS TO THE BONFIRE

Ohio Wesleyan Students Resolve to Abolish Derbies and Do So as Girls Applaud.

Delaware, O .- Scores of derbies were hurled to bonfires when students | Cleveland, O. at the Ohio Wesleyan university determined to abolish headgear.

No hats will be worn by the students the rest of the school year. At a meeting of the Pan Hellenic so ciety, the undergraduates so decided. The students marched to Monnett hall, where a bonfire was kindled and then, while the girls applauded, the boys consigned their derbies to the

Joy Rides Break Up Home. business and financial men in Cincinnati have heard the call of the 'wild," as it were, and are making hurried arrangements for a sudden departure for more congenial climes as filed in a divorce petition of Horace propriated. D. Cummins against his pretty young wife, in which the names of many appear as members of frequent joy riding parties and roadhouse revelers.

Girl's Strike Off for Brief Period.

East Liverpool, O.-Following a conference between the labor committee of the manufacturers and one with the passage of the Elson tele iginally demanded.

Hocking Valley Stockholders Ask Den-Man to Prevent Proposed Merger of Roads

Columbus, O .- Demand was made on Attorney General U. G. Denman here to bring ouster proceedings against the Lake Shore and Hocking Valley railroads. In a formal statement presented to the attorney general by minority stockholders of the Hocking Valley it is charged that the recently announced deal for the disposition of the Hocking lines would continue an illegal combination of transportation lines.

The statement recites that Hocking for several years has been controlled by the Lake Shore, Erie, Pennsylvania, B. & O. and C. & O. combined as a syndicate. Hocking in turn owns the K. & M. and through another corporation controls the Toledo & Ohio Central, which owns the Zanesville & Western. It is said that the Lake Shore owns a control of the Nickel Plate, Big Four and Pittsburg & Lake The two last are said to be Erie. competitors of the Ohio Central. which is to be acquired by the Lake

#### DASH OF AIR TANK RUINED

Flight Through Meat Shop Leaves Chaos After Lad Releases Pressure of 1,600 Pounds.

Delaware, O .- Little Johnny Buchman, a monkey wrench and a high pressure compressed air tank formed a combination that wrecked the meat market of Buchman senior. Rummaging through the cellar of the meat shop, the lad found the tank which a saloonist once used to force beer from the basement to the cooling tanks. Johnny dragged the tank to the alley at the rear of his father's market. Then he unscrewed the tap.

With a roar that would shame a cannon, the tank under pressure of 1,-690 pounds shot backward into the market. It smashed through a partition dividing the front from the rear of the shop and streaking ahead demolished a counter. No one was hurt.

#### INSURANCE PROFITS GROW

Business Transacted in Ohio During Past Year Shows Gain Over Preceding Period.

Columbus, O .- Fire insurance companies did a heavier business in 1909 than in the preceding year, according to the annual report of Insurance Commissioner Lemert, made to governor. The aggregate income of the Ohio stock companies was \$1,455,325, being an increase of \$48,465. Ohio mutual companies received \$3,136,666, an increase of \$151,288. The aggregate premiums of Ohio stock companies was \$1,202,369, a decrease of \$39,106. employing foreign labor, have been Ohio mutual companies received for dollars at the expense of the work- an increase of \$165,832. Losses paid by the Ohio stock companies were \$645,301, an increase of about \$105,

#### OHIO MAN FOUND IN MOBILE

Young Architectural Draughtsman Knows Nothing of His Life Beyond Six Months Ago.

Mobile, Ala.-During 24 hours incidents have crowded fast into the life of Henry Lawrence, a young man who came to Mobile in January and whose mind beyond November is a blank. Though in full control of his mental faculties, the young man, who is an architectural draughtsman of unusual ability. knows nothing of his life beyond six months ago, when he is supposed to have disappeared from his home in

Lawrence was identified here and admitted that he was Curtis Walton, son of wealthy parents in Cleveland.

#### RULES IN FAVOR OF STATE

Court Says Treasurer's Bondsmen Cart be Held Liable if Interest was Misappropriated.

Columbus, O .- Judge Evans in common pleas court here overruled Cincinnati, O .- Several prominent the demurrer of the bondsmen in the Cameron and McKinnon state interest recovery suits and held that the bondsmen of former State Treasurers Cameron and McKinnon can be held liable for the interest on state funds a result of a sensational affidavit alleged to have been wrongfully ap-

> Judge Evans ruled that the state can collect from the bondsmen, providing it can establish the facts set forth in the petition.

Mooney Names Bribery Committee. Columbus, O.-Investigation of the charges of bribery in connection from the ranks of the girl pottery phone merger bill in the house will strikers, the latter in a mass meeting be started Monday. The investigating at night voted to accept until April committee named by Speaker Mooney 10 the offered 10 per cent increase in will meet, organize and map out a line wages with a 30-minute period for of action. The committee, generally lunch each morning. By the terms of regarded as a strong one, is made up agreement the bisque warehouse girls of Langdon of Warren, chairman, and will get \$1.05 per day. They wanted Ash of Seneca, Republicans, and Black \$1.10. Dipping department employes of Ashland and Russell of Wayne, will receive \$1.10 instead of \$1.25, or Democrats. Langdon and Black voted against bill and Ash and Russell for it.

IN HOSPITAL FOR NINE MONTHS.

Awful Tale of Suffering From Kidney Trouble.

Alfred J. O'Brien, Second St., Sterling, Colo., says: "I was in the Baltimore Marine Hos-



pital for nine months. I had a dull pain in the small of my back that completely wore me out. The urine was in a terrible state, and some days I would pass half a gallon of blood. I left

the hospital because they wanted to operate on me. I went to St. Joseph's Hospital at Omaha and put in three months there without any gain. I was pretty well discouraged when I was advised to use Doan's Kidney Pills. I did so and by the time I had taken one box, the pain in the back left me. I kept right on and a perfect cure was the result."

Remember the name-Doan's. For sale by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo., N. Y.

In New Hampshire.

That irresponsible Manchester Union man gave himself a surprise party by going to church last Sunday and this was the result: "On this first Sunday of Lent, while George Bailey of the Houston Post is sacrilegiously fishing for eels in a Texas bayou, and the (married) paragrapher of the Kennebeck Journal is tapping his boots, and the Ging-Ging Goophus of the Springfield Union is playing sevenup, we, in common with other good New Hampshire people, shall dutifully attend church.-Springfield Union.

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National Tuberculosis Sunday. Present indications point to a general observance of National Tuberculosis Sunday in more than 200,000 churches of the country on April 24. Reports from heads of local anti-tuberculosis associations, health officers, pastors, mayors, governors, and numerous interdenominational bodies show much enthusiasm over the movement. The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis has prepared an outline for a tuberculosis sermon for use on April 24, which will be sent free of charge to any clergyman applying at 105 East Twenty-second street, New York. Thousands of these outlines are being sent out weekly to all parts

of the country. Prominent churchmen, including bishops and heads of all the leading denominations, have expressed their approval of the movement.

Vindictive Cuss. "Ugh!" spluttered Mr. Jones. "That nut had a worm in it." "Here," urged a friend, offering him a glass of water, "drink this and wash

"Wash it down!" growled Jones. "Why should I? Let him walk!"-Everybody's.

So Different.

"Mrs Uppersett takes such great interest in her baby."

"Yes; she says she was delightfully surprised when it came, as she had obtained her ideas about babies from the comic supplements, you know."-

Studies in Still Life. "I want a few colored illustrations of beets and tomatoes." "Life size?" inquired the artist.

"Catalogue size," replied the seedsman, with a significant smile.-Louisville Courier-Journal.

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## **EXCELLENT TRADE IN** WESTERN CANADA

SPLENDID CROPS, BIG PRICES, AND PROSPEROUS OUTLOOK FOR THE FUTURE.

Throughout all of Canada, and especially in the Western Provinces of Canada, there is a buoyancy in every line of business that is fully warranted by every condition. The crops of the past year were what was expected, and the prices for grain of all kinds, put the farmers in a class by themselves. Many of them are independent, and many others have got well started on the road. The latest reports are that seeding is well under way in almost every district, and the prospects are that a vastly larger area than that under crop last year will be seeded early this spring. In the Lethbridge district, in Southern Alberta, steam and gasoline outfits, hundreds of them, are breaking up the prairie at a tremendous pace, but they work night and day. As soon as it becomes dark, gangs are changed, a head light attached, and on, on through the night until the first streak of dawn, these giant monsters with their seven or eight gangs of breaking plows, keep up the work. Then the more modest farmer is put ting in the longest hours possible with his teams of horses or oxen. And what will the Country be like in August, when these fields have become yellowed with the literally golden grain. There will be one vast expanse of wheat field. And there will be a market for it, because it is the best grain grown, and the demand will be everywhere. As previously intimated business throughout Western Canada is sound and good. The grain production of 1909 has been the great factor in establishing the reputation of Western Canada, and it is worth talking about. It surpassed all previous records, both in regard to quality and quantity, and such an achievement was by no means easy. The limit has not been reached, and a large average increase may be expected during the next ten years. There will be odd seasons when a falling-off will occur, and it is the falling-off that causes alarms and panics in the commercial world. The plains have done their duty so far in the out-put of grain and it would be reasonable to make occasional allowances for slowing-up. The faster the rate of increase is now, the sharper will be the check when the production diminishes. But there are some unreasonable people who wonder why the growth of one year is not continued during the next, and at an even faster rate. These same unreasonable people are the ones who see flaws in the situation as soon as an indication is given that the startling advances have not been maintained.

A Terrible Risk.

Typhold had broken out in their neighborhood and the family resorted to travel as the best means of precaution until the trouble should subside.

They arrived at Quebec by the morning boat, intending to take it to Montreal in the evening, but the sightseers got tired and returned early in the afternoon to find the top of the smokestack on a level with the dock, the tide having dropped 18 feet. "Mamma," cried the little girl, "did

God drink up all that water?" "Yes, my child." "Then hadn't we better tell him it

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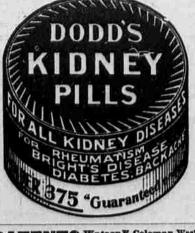
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